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Firebird Shariah Balanced

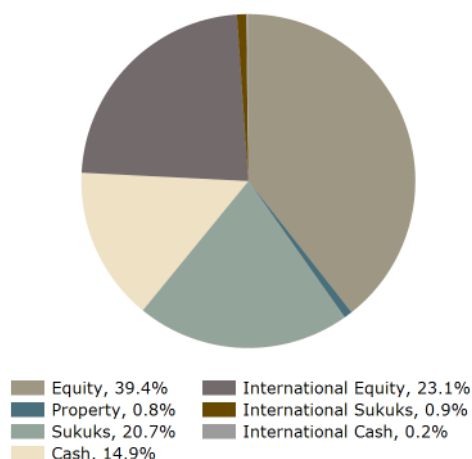
Fund Details

Fund Category	SA Multi Asset High Equity
Benchmark	Avg SA Multi Asset High Equity
Risk Profile	Moderate Aggressive
Investment period	5 years
Launch Date	01 April 2021
Fund Size	R 3 million
Platform	Glacier

Fund Objective

The wrap fund aims to provide a high level of capital growth over the long term. Investors in this fund are prepared to tolerate high fluctuations in the value of their investment over the short term. The fund although biased towards equities (maximum of 75%), is diversified across all asset classes which are deemed Shari'ah compliant by the advisory board of underlying collective investment schemes. Investors in this fund should have a minimum investment horizon of 5 years. The fund is Shari'ah compliant and does comply with Regulation 28 of the Pension Funds Act, 1956.

Asset Allocation

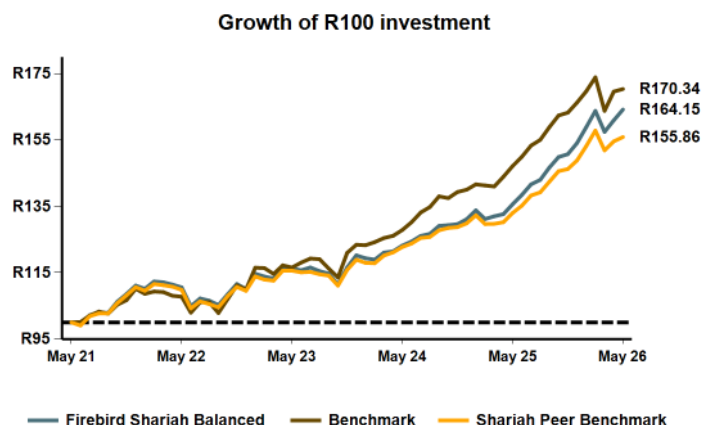


Investor Profile

This fund is suitable for investors looking for:

- High level of capital growth
- Able to tolerate high levels of volatility
- A minimum investment horizon of 5 years
- A Shari'ah compliant fund

Cumulative performance - 5 years *



Performance (%)	Fund*	Fund Benchmark	Shariah Peer Benchmark
1 Month	2.02	0.46	0.85
3 Months	0.25	-2.02	-1.23
6 Months	8.93	4.37	6.60
1 Year	21.04	15.79	17.21
2 Years (annualised)	15.45	15.43	12.70
3 Years (annualised)	12.18	13.49	10.48
5 Years (annualised)	10.42	11.24	9.28
YTD	6.57	2.47	4.75
Since Launch	10.35	11.23	9.28

Risk statistics (5 years)	Fund*
Returns (annualised)	10.42%
Standard deviation (annualised)	6.53%
% Positive months	66.67%
Maximum drawdown	-6.66%
Sharpe ratio	0.54

Manager Selection (%)

Camissa Islamic Balanced Fund	40.00	Sentio SCI HIKMA Shariah Balanced Fund	30.00
Old Mutual Albaraka Balanced Fund	30.00		

Monthly Fund Performance* (%)	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Fund 2026	3.10	3.10	-3.87	2.22	2.02								6.57
Fund 2025	2.04	-1.95	0.62	0.50	2.25	2.06	2.30	0.96	2.62	2.15	0.57	2.21	17.50
Fund 2024	-0.73	-0.35	1.79	0.30	1.44	0.99	1.36	0.49	1.89	0.16	0.24	1.16	9.07

Fees (% incl. VAT)

Annual wrap fee	0.37
Underlying Manager TIC (TIC = TC + TER)	1.15

* The investor is liable for CGT on any transactions in the units of the underlying unit trusts within the wrap funds. Compulsory investments are not subject to CGT. Performance is calculated using net returns (after fees) of the underlying unit trusts, and quoted excluding wrap fund fees. Performance quoted is pre-tax. Fund performance numbers shown are for a notional portfolio and do not reflect the actual performance of the client invested in the wrap fund due to timing differences of investments or disinvestments of the client. Benchmark returns for CPI are based on actual published returns and an estimated one month return for the month of the report date. ASISA Benchmark returns are the ASISA returns available as at the time of reporting.

The Firebird Shariah Balanced Wrap Fund, is developed and managed by Sanlam Investments on behalf of Firebird.

Manager Comment

The World Economic Forum (WEF)'s May 2026 Chief Economists' Outlook reflects a generally pessimistic outlook for global growth. In the US, services activity picked up in May, supported by firms building up inventories and placing orders ahead of anticipated supply constraints and rising costs linked to the Middle East conflict. China's economy remained relatively resilient during the month, although there were signs of softening. In the UK, economic growth is expected to moderate in 2026 compared to 2025, dampening consumer spending and potentially prompting further monetary tightening by the Bank of England (BoE). Locally, the South African Reserve Bank (SARB)'s Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) raised the repo rate by 25 basis points at its May meeting in response to heightened inflation risks.

Global equities had another strong month in May, with the MSCI World Index ending at 4.55% month-on-month (m/m) and 10.49% year-to-date (YTD) in US dollar terms. May's rally was heavily concentrated among the providers of AI computing power, with NVIDIA continuing to be the largest beneficiary of AI computing spend. Outside of the AI beneficiaries, share prices struggled, with eight of the eleven S&P 500 sectors ending May lower. Emerging markets (EMs) had their strongest month in over five years, with the MSCI EM Index ending the month positively at 9.71% m/m and 25.74% YTD in US dollar terms. Similar to developed markets, returns were concentrated in a narrow group of AI beneficiaries. The FTSE 100 ended May in positive territory at 1.17% m/m, following April's 2.77% m/m gain in pound sterling. The S&P 500 ended the month in positive territory at 5.26%, although lower than April's 10.49% gain, in US dollars. Global bonds were in positive territory for the month at 0.34% m/m, down from April's 1.25% m/m gain in US dollars. After gaining 8.52% m/m in April, global property ended May in negative territory at -0.85% m/m in US dollars. The Euro Stoxx 50 Index gains continued into May, ending positively at 3.92% m/m in euros. The Dow Jones Index ended May in positive territory at 2.93%, from April's positive figure of 7.24% m/m in US dollars. From ending April as the biggest gainer at 16.10% m/m, the Nikkei Index continued with its strong gains into May at 11.88% m/m in yen terms.

The JSE fell just short of delivering a positive return for investors in May with the FTSE/JSE All Share Index ending the month at -0.27% m/m in rand terms, attributed to a lack of exposure to the AI chipmaking counters that drove the majority of investor returns. The local bourse ended May still marginally in positive territory for the year at 0.76% YTD. The underperformance of Resources in April continued into May, ending at -0.99% m/m. Both Property and Financials outperformed in May, at 0.62% m/m and 0.93% m/m respectively, from the previous month's gains of 5.40% m/m and 4.25% m/m respectively, in rand terms. The Industrials sector was in positive territory for May at 1.40% m/m, down from April's positive figure of 2.52% m/m. Cash continued its positive returns from April into May, ending at 0.56% m/m in rand terms and 3.70% m/m in US dollar terms. Local bond gains continued into the new month, with the FTSE/JSE All Bond Index ending positively at 2.91% m/m, compared with April's 3.27% m/m in rand terms. Bonds of 1-3 years were positive at 0.89% m/m, along with bonds of 3-7 years at 2.22% m/m. Bonds of 7-12 years were also positive at 3.06% m/m, and bonds of 12 years and above were positive at 3.45% m/m. The rand strengthened against the US dollar by 3.12% m/m, against the euro by 3.66% m/m, and against the pound sterling by 3.95% m/m respectively.

Investment Committee

The investment committee forms an integral part of the investment management process. The investment committee members are involved in the process of multi management by participating in the Investment Committee Framework (the "Framework"). This Framework provides intermediaries with a platform to share their research and views with qualified investment professionals who will, based on certain constraints, construct a portfolio taking the intermediary's research into account.

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About the Portfolio Manager

Luke holds a B.Com (Accounting) degree and B.Com (Hons) degree in Business Administration from the University of the Western Cape (UWC). He also holds a Master's degree in Business Management from the University of the Western Cape and is a CFA Level 1 candidate. He joined Glacier Research team as investment analyst in January 2016, with responsibilities being local and offshore fund manager research. He has written numerous financial articles, published in the Financial Mail and Moneyweb, and has participated in numerous investment roadshows as a presenter and panel facilitator. Luke left Glacier Research and joined Sanlam Multi-Manager International in September 2019 as a portfolio manager in the Retail Implemented Consulting team.

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